

III. REMARKS

1. Claims 27, 28, 30-35, 38, 41, 43-49, 51 and 53-101 are cancelled without prejudice. Claims 102-128 are new and the claims pending in this application.

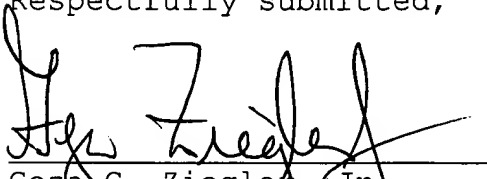
2. The claims are amended to address the 35 U.S.C. §112, first and second paragraph rejection as well as more accurately define features of the invention. Accordingly, the claims have been recast as new claims. It is submitted that the new claims are not disclosed or suggested by the cited art of record.

No new or additional claims fees are due with this response as the number and types of claims cancelled exceeds the number and types of claims now presented. All fees have previously been paid.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed for a three-month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any fees associated with this communication or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 16-1350.

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